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Thomas J. Schall et al.

Application No.: 09/919,224

Filed: July 30, 2001

For: IMMUNOLOGIC ACTIVITIES

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Communication mailed March 24, 2003. The original deadline for response was April 24, 2003. A petition for a one month extension of time is enclosed, which extends the deadline for response until May 24, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

The Office Communication requires Applicants to make three separate species elections. In response, Applicants make the following species elections without traverse:

Specific method of preventing or treating a specific immune disorder selected from the disorders listed in claim 24: Method of treating graft-versus-host disease is elected. Claims 21-32, 36-37, 44-48, 50-61 read on this elected species.

Application No. 09/919,224 Amendment dated May 1, 2003 Reply to Office Communication of March 24, 2003

Specific method of treating a chronic inflammatory disease from the disorders listed in claims 33 and 49: Method for treating rheumatoid arthritis is elected. Claims 21-28, 31-33, 44-61 read on this elected species.

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Specific method of preventing or treating an immune disorder when patient is suffering from a type TH1 immune response due to transplantation of an organ selected from those listed in claim 37: Method of treating a patient suffering from a TH1 immune response due to transplanted bone marrow is elected. Claims 21-32, 36-37, 44-48, 50-61 read on this elected species.

Thus, claims 21-28, 31-32, 44-48 and 50-61 read on the collected species elections.

In making these elections of species, it is Applicants' understanding that the Office will follow the procedure set forth in MPEP §809.02(c), which provides for a complete action on the merits of all claims readable on the elected species, and in MPEP §803.02, whereby upon the finding of allowable species, examination will continue with the non-elected species until all species have been examined or prior art is identified which renders the claims unpatentable.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 303-571-4000.

Respectfully submitted.

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